

FALL CONFERENCE !

CULTIVATING THE TEACHER/SCHOLAR

SEPTEMBER 10-14, 2007 !



CAL POLY



WELCOME!

I am pleased to welcome each of you to Cal Poly's annual Fall Conference. This year, we are honored to have as our Fall Conference General Session keynote speaker, Ralph A. Wolff, President and Executive Director, Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC).

The title of Ralph Wolff's talk is "Enhancing and Evaluating Student Learning: Challenges and Strategies."

Wolff's keynote address comes at an opportune time for us here at Cal Poly, as we reflect upon the progress made last year to clarify Cal Poly's mission, learning objectives and institutional priorities, through the CSU and Cal Poly "Access to Excellence" initiative. The address will help us to set the stage for continued conversations this year regarding academic excellence, as well as the kick-off for our WASC reaccreditation review.

Wolff's talk will include attention to recent developments in the national debate about student learning, assessment and accountability and their relation to accreditation. The report of Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings' "Commission on the Future of Higher Education" focused on issues of educational access, affordability, quality and innovation and has triggered the development of a national "Voluntary System of Accountability." Regardless of the outcome of the national debate, however, it is important that we focus on continuous improvement in the university and on understanding better how our students learn, including the impact of "learn by doing."

At the Fall Conference General Session, we will recognize Cal Poly's distinguished teachers, outstanding faculty advisor and outstanding staff members and recognize faculty achievements in scholarship and philanthropic leadership. I look forward to this annual occasion for us to honor our outstanding colleagues.

Warren J. Baker

RALPH A. WOLFF

Ralph A. Wolff, President and Executive Director, Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC), was appointed in 1996, after serving as Associate Executive Director from 1981-1995. Wolff is responsible for setting goals, priorities, and policy for the Senior College Accrediting Com-



mission. In 2006 he was appointed by the Secretary of Education to serve as one of 22 nonfederal negotiators for a highly controversial set of proposed rules affecting all of higher education, and participated in a series of national and regional summits on accountability and accreditation sponsored by the Department of Education. In addition, he coordinated the extensive process leading to the 2001 Handbook of Accreditation. Prior to joining WASC, Wolff was the founder and Director of Planning of the Antioch School of Law, Dean of the Graduate School of Education at Antioch, and a law professor at the University of Dayton. A graduate of Tufts University, Wolff received his JD with honors from the National Law Center at George Washington University.

Keynote Address:

Monday, September 10

9:30 - 11 a.m.

Harman Hall, Christopher Cohan Center

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE



FRIDAY BEFORE CONFERENCE WEEK – 9/7/07

8:00-5:00 New Faculty Workshop

MONDAY – 9/10/07

8:30-11:00 General Session

12:00-2:30 Deans/Heads/Chairs Meeting followed by

2:30-5:00 New Heads/Chairs Meeting

3:00-5:00 Deans meet with new lecturers and tenured-track faculty
(check with College office)

3:00-4:00 WASC Open Forum

TUESDAY – 9/11/07

9:00-11:00 College Division Meetings – Faculty, Staff and Dept.
Heads/Chairs

11:00-2:00 Academic Meetings – Faculty and Dept. Heads/Chairs

2:00-5:00 College of Education Dean and Faculty Meeting

2:00-3:00 Human Resources – New Faculty Benefits Orientation

2:00-3:30 Academic Records

WEDNESDAY – 9/12/07 ACADEMIC DAY

8:30-10:00 Preface

10:30-4:00 “College Connections: Academic Success.” Academic
Expectations Session for New Students

Wednesday, September 12 cont...

3:00-5:00 ABET/Engineering Assessment

2:00-3:00 Presentation and Introduction to Blackboard

3:00-4:00 Blackboard Help Session

2:00-4:30 Orientation for Graduate Assistants, Teaching Associates

2:00-5:00 College of Education, Division of Teacher Education
(Includes all multiple subject Faculty and single subject Faculty)

5:00-7:00 Library Reception for New Faculty

THURSDAY – 9/13/07

All Day Reserved for Departmental Meetings/Retreats

FRIDAY – 9/14/07

All day Reserved for Deans/Heads/Chairs Meetings/Retreats

8:00-5:00 New Faculty Workshop (Repeat of Friday Before Fall
Conference Week)

1:00-5:30 Academic Senate Retreat

SUNDAY – 9/16/07

2:00-4:00 Cal Poly Women's Club Fall Reception hosted by Mrs. Baker

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

NEWER TEACHER WORKSHOP: HOW TO HAVE A
REWARDING FIRST QUARTER AT CAL POLY

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Open to faculty members, graduate student teaching associates and assistants, and instructionally related staff members.

For details regarding topic coverage and presenters visit:
<http://ctl.calpoly.edu/workandevent/workandevent.html>

(Session will be repeated on September 14;
pre-registration is encouraged by September 4)
Sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Learning
Kennedy Library (35), Room 510B
Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided
Contact and registration: The Center for Teaching and Learning
(ctl@calpoly.edu), ext. 6-7002

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:30 - 9:20 a.m. Refreshments

Plaza, Christopher Cohan Center

9:30 - 11 a.m. General Session

Harman Hall, Christopher Cohan Center

Opening Remarks

Warren J. Baker, President

Keynote Address

“Enhancing and Evaluating Student Learning: Challenges and Strategies”

Ralph A. Wolff

President and Executive Director Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC)

Musical Interlude featuring the Forbes Pipe Organ
Paul Woodring, University Organist

Presentations

Warren J. Baker, President
William W. Durgin, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Distinguished Teaching; Distinguished Scholarship; Outstanding
Faculty Advisor; Faculty Philanthropic Leadership; Outstanding
Staff Awards

Fall Greetings

Academic Senate, Cal Poly Labor Council and ASI

Closing Remarks



*Spouses/partners of new employees are invited.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, September 10 cont...

Noon - 5:00 p.m.

Deans and Heads/Chairs Meeting

Initially this meeting with the Provost and other administrators will be for all deans and department heads/chairs and will transition into a meeting for new department heads/chairs. The agenda will include the teacher-scholar model, and current faculty contract, accessibility, and academic technology initiative. Lunch will be provided.

Pavilion Room, Christopher Cohan Center

Contact: Joe Grimes, ext. 6-7002

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Some deans meet with new lecturers and tenure-track faculty. Check with the office of your dean.

3:00-4:00 p.m.

WASC Accreditation: Planning for the Future

Cal Poly is beginning a new cycle of review for WASC re-accreditation. Learn more about the accreditation process and provide feedback on the proposed self study themes. Campus-wide participation is encouraged.

University Union (65), Room 220

Contact: Valene Mathews, ext. 6-2246

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

College & Division Meetings - Faculty, Staff & Department Heads/Chairs

Agriculture Agricultural Engineering (08), Room 123
Architecture & Env. Design A&ED (05), Room 105 (Gallery)
Business Off-Campus Retreat
Engineering Advanced Technology Lab (07)
Liberal Arts Christopher Cohan Center (06), Philips Hall
Science & Mathematics Fisher Science (33), Room 286

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Academic Meetings - Faculty & Department Heads/Chairs

(See meeting locations on pages 14 and 15)

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

New Faculty Benefits Enrollment Orientation

Sponsored by Human Resources

Benefits staff will assist with enrollment in health, dental, vision and other benefits, and be available to answer questions.

Fisher Science (33), Room 290

Contact: Benefits Office, ext. 6-5436

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Important Updates from the Office of Academic Records

Especially for college and department support staff, topics will include: OAR Services, Articulation, AP Credit, PolyProfile, Repeats, Services for Students from Long Ago, Degree Audit and the New Custom Report, Web Verify, Transfer Credit, Enrollment Info, and of course, PS 8.9 Update.

Science Building (52), Room B5

Contact: Patty Warnick-Wait, ext. 6-2723

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

College of Education – Dean and Faculty Meeting

Cotchett Education (02), Room 214

Contact: Bonnie Konopak, ext. 6-2126



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

PREFACE: The Cal Poly Shared Reading Program
Sponsored by Academic Programs
Discussion sessions for all new students
(Meeting locations assigned)

Contact: Patricia Ponce, ext. 6-1380

10:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

“College Connections: Academic Success” – Academic Expectations
Session for New Students College meetings, Departmental Meetings,
and Departmental Lunches with New Students

AgricultureMott Gym (42)
Architecture & Env. Design Dexter Lawn
Business Christopher Cohan Center (06), Philips Hall
Engineering University Union (65), Chumash Auditorium
Liberal Arts Christopher Cohan Center (06), Harman Hall
Science & Mathematics Spanos Theater (44)

Contact: Lisa Bruce, ext. 6-2477

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Presentation and Introduction to Blackboard
What are Blackboard’s capabilities? How can Blackboard help you
to achieve your teaching and learning objectives? This workshop
will provide an introductory overview of Blackboard’s features to help
you get started in using it as a supplementary tool for your courses.
We will also demonstrate some time-saving tips to assist you in the
management of your Blackboard courses.

Kennedy Library (35), Room 510B
Contact: Luanne Fose, ext. 6-7360

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Blackboard Help Session
Do you need some assistance in using Blackboard? Come to this
open forum to ask your questions to the Blackboard support staff and
get the answers!

Wednesday, September 12 cont. ...

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3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

ABET/Engineering Assessment
Deadlines and requirements for this preparatory year, before the
ABET accreditation visit in Fall 2008

For ABET Representatives, Chairs and Interested Faculty.

Advanced Technology Lab (07), Room 02
Contact: Fred DePiero, ext. 6-2917

2:10 - 4:30 p.m.

Orientation for Graduate Assistants, Teaching Associates
Especially for graduate student teaching associates and assistants.
New faculty members will also find this beneficial. Topics include:

- *Introduction and Welcome*
- *Disability Resource Center: ten things to know about students with disabilities*
- *The first day of class: what you’ll need, handling administrative chores, making a good impression*
- *Classroom and office etiquette*
- *Risk management: fire safety, hazardous materials, emergency management*
- *Information Technology Services: Blackboard and other teaching support*
- *Library resources and services for students and faculty*

Faculty members should attend only if they do not have departmental commitments to work with students during this time.

Sponsored by Research and Graduate Programs

Agriculture (10), Room 220
Contact: Susan Rock, ext. 6-1508

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 12 cont...

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

College of Education, Division of Teacher Education (Includes all multiple subject faculty and single subject faculty)

Cotchett Education (02), Room 214

Contact: Elaine Chin, ext. 6-1503

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**Library Reception for New Faculty Members*

Refreshments

Kennedy Library (35), Atrium

Contact: Lynda Alamo, ext.6-5785

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13-14

Reserved for departmental and college retreats

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

Newer Teacher Workshop: How to Have a Rewarding First Quarter at Cal Poly

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Academic Senate Retreat

The Academic Senate will meet to discuss the University's WASC Institutional Proposal.

Refreshments will be provided.

University Union (65), Room 220

Contact: Academic Senate Office (mcamuso@calpoly.edu), ext. 6-1258

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fall Reception of Cal Poly Women's Club (CPWC)

Mrs. Carly Baker will host this reception for all new women faculty/staff and faculty/staff wives, and returning members are invited to kick off the year of enrichment, friendship and services to the University.

Courtyard of the University House on campus

Contact: Tracee de Hahn (tldehahn@yahoo.com), (805) 704-1458

ACADEMIC MEETING LOCATIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

*Check with department for time

Accounting

(To be held during business concentration meeting)

Aerospace Engineering

(To be held during departmental retreat)

Agricultural Education & Communication Ag (10) 100

Agribusiness (10) 206

Animal Science Ag (10) 105

Architectural Engineering

(To be held during departmental retreat)

Architecture A&ED (05) 105

and during departmental retreat

Art & Design Dexter (34) 150

Biological Sciences Fisher (33) 285

Biomedical & General Engineering Eng(13) 260

BioResource & Ag Engineering Ag Engr (08) 121

Chemistry & Biochemistry Sci (52) E45

City & Regional Planning

(To be held during departmental retreat)

Civil & Environmental Engineering

(Meeting held during departmental retreat)

Communication Studies Engl (22) 212

Computer Engineering

(Sept. 13 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. during CPE faculty retreat at Avila Lighthouse Suites)

Computer Science Pilling Cmpr Sci (14)232B

Construction Management

(To be held during departmental retreat)

Dairy Science Dairy Sci (18-2) 123

Earth and Soil Science Sci (52) A10

Economics

(To be held during business concentration meeting)

Electrical Engineering Engr East FO (20) 140

English Engl (10) 124

Ethnic Studies Math & Sci (38) 114

Finance

(To be held during business concentration meeting)

Food Science & Nutrition FP (24) 103A

Graphic Communication

(Meeting held during departmental retreat)

History Agr(10)241

Horticulture and Crop Science Ag Sci (11) 112

Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering GA (26) 103

Industrial Technology

(To be held during concentration meeting)

Journalism

(Meeting held during departmental retreat)

Kinesiology KINE (43A) 150

Landscape Architecture

(To be held during departmental retreat)

Liberal Studies

(no meeting)

Management

(To be held during business concentration meeting)

Marketing

(To be held during business concentration meeting)

Materials Engineering Eng (41), 217

Mathematics Sci North (53) 215

Mechanical Engineering (13)-124B

Military Science Dexter (34) 117

Modern Languages & Literatures Ag (10)128

Music Music (45) 126

Natural Resources Management Ag (11) 210

Philosophy Engl (47) 37

Physics Sci (52) E26

Political Science

(Meeting held during departmental retreat)

Psychology & Child Development FON (47) 24B

Social Sciences SciN (53) 201

Statistics Fisher (33) 289

Theatre & Dance Music (45) 212

Women's Studies FON (47) 24B

